



State of Wisconsin
2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



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DOA:.....Thornton, BB0283 - Exempt purchases under \$500 from energy consuming equipment standards

FOR 2011-13 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

STATE GOVERNMENT

OTHER STATE GOVERNMENT

Under current law, a state agency purchasing equipment that consumes energy, such as equipment to provide heating, lighting, ventilation, cooling, or refrigeration, must meet certain energy efficiency standards. This bill exempts from the standards purchases that cost \$5,000 or less per unit.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 16.75 (10e) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

16.75 (10e) (b) The *If s. 16.855 (10s) (a) provides an applicable standard for the type of agency consuming equipment being purchased and the purchase will cost*

more than \$5,000 per unit the department, any other designated purchasing agent under s. 16.71 (1), any agency making purchases under s. 16.74, and any authority may not purchase that type of energy consuming equipment unless the specifications for the equipment meet the applicable standards ~~for the equipment established under s. 16.855 (10s) (a). If there is no standard under s. 16.855 (10s) (a) applicable to the type of energy consuming equipment being purchased, or if.~~ If there is an applicable standard under s. 16.855 (10s) (a), but the energy consuming equipment meeting that standard is not reasonably available, the department, purchasing agent, agency, or authority shall ensure, for purchases over \$5,000 per unit, that the energy consuming equipment that is purchased maximizes energy efficiency to the extent technically and economically feasible. The department, purchasing agent, agency, or authority shall not determine that energy consuming equipment that meets the applicable standard under s. 16.855 (10s) (a) either is not reasonably available on the basis of cost alone or is not cost-effective unless the difference in the cost of the purchase and installation of the equipment that meets the standard and the equipment that would otherwise be installed is greater than the difference in the cost of operating the equipment that meets the standard and the equipment that would otherwise be installed over the anticipated life of the equipment.

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